

RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
RE: MODIFICATION OF THE URBAN RENEWAL PLAN OF THE  
SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, PROJECT NO. MASS. R-56  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCLAIM BY CERTIFICATE THESE  
MINOR MODIFICATIONS

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WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the South End Urban Renewal Area was adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority on September 23, 1965 and approved by the City Council of the City of Boston on December 6, 1965; and

WHEREAS, Section 1201 of Chapter 12 of said Plan entitled: "Modifications" provides that the Urban Renewal Plan may be modified at any time by the Boston Redevelopment Authority without further approval provided that the proposed modifications do not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Authority that the minor modification with respect to Parcel 14 is consistent with the objectives of the South End Urban Renewal Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is cognizant of Chapter 30, Sections 61 and 62 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, with respect to minimizing and preventing damage to the environment;

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the Plan is a minor change and may be adopted within the discretion of the Authority pursuant to Section 1201 of said Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY THAT:

Pursuant to Section 1201 thereof of the South End Urban Renewal Plan, Mass. R-56, be and hereby is amended by:

1. That Map No. 1 "Property Map", is hereby modified by moving the boundary line of Parcel 14 from the northerly to the southerly side of Benton Street.
2. That Map No. 5 "Proposed Rights-of-Way", is hereby modified by allowing Benton Street to remain open to traffic as shown on the attached map.
3. That Map No. 3 "Re-use Parcels", is hereby modified by indicating the sub-division of Parcel 14 and addition of Parcel 14a.



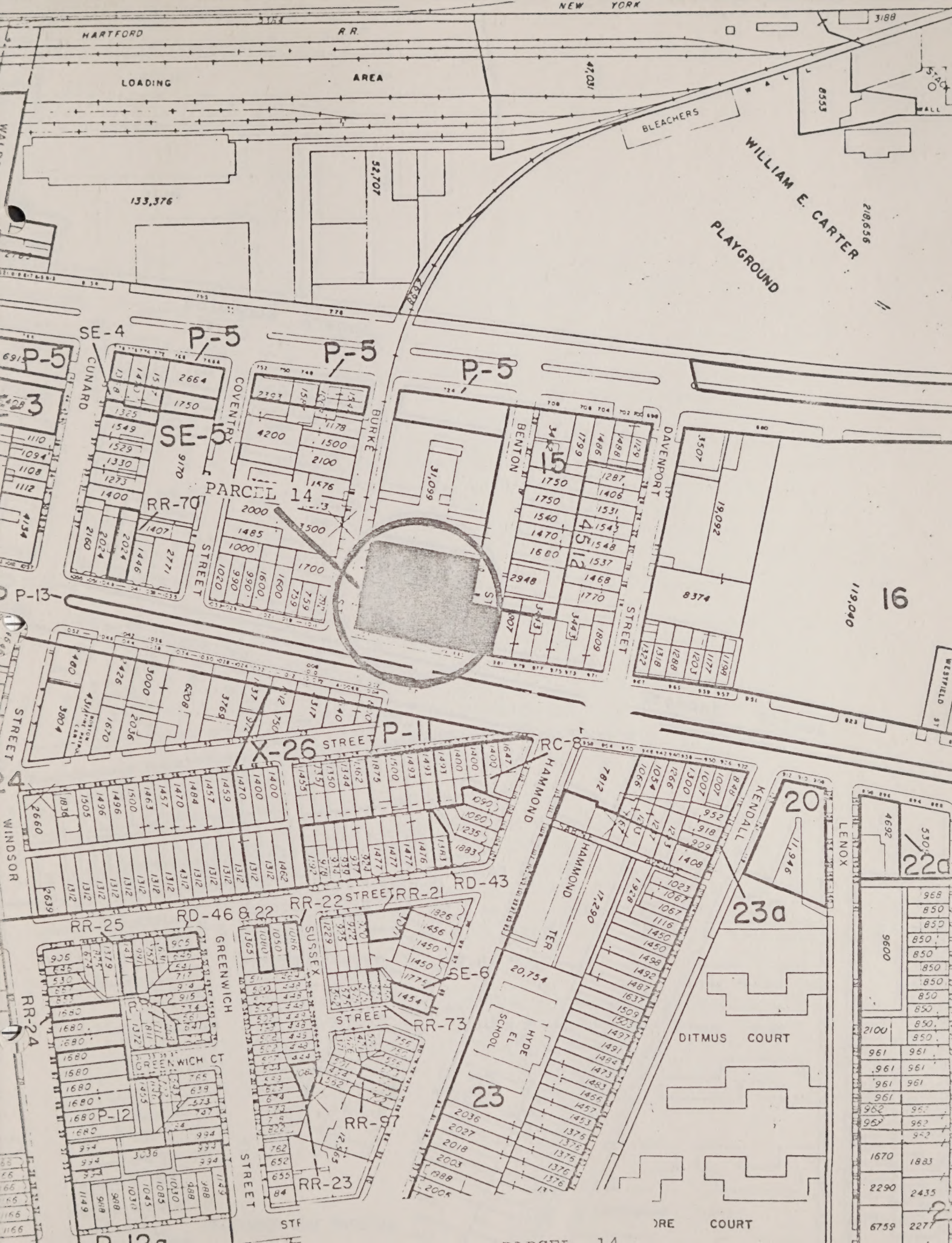
4. That the proposed modification is found to be a minor modification which does not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan;

5. That it is hereby found and determined that the proposed development will not result in significant damage to or impairment of the environment and further, that all practicable and feasible means and measures have been taken and are being utilized to avoid or minimize damage to the environment.

6. That all other provisions of said Plan not inconsistent herewith be and are continuing in full force and effect;

7. That the Director be and hereby is authorized to proclaim by certificate these minor modifications of the Plan; all in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Renewal Handbook, RHM7207.1, Circular dated June 3, 1970.











October 16, 1974

## MEMORANDUM

TO: BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM: Robert T. Kenney, Director

SUBJECT: SOUTH END URBAN RENEWAL AREA, PROJECT NO. MASS. R-56  
PROCLAIMER OF MINOR MODIFICATION OF THE  
URBAN RENEWAL PLAN/PARCEL 14

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SUMMARY: This memorandum requests that the Authority modify the South End Urban Renewal Plan by (1) sub-dividing Parcel 14 to form an additional parcel, 14a; (2) to change the "permitted" use for Parcel 14 from "residential and commercial" to "institutional and parking"; (3) delete Benton Street from Parcel 14; (4) authorize the Director to proclaim by certificate this Minor Modification.

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Parcel 14 is located on Tremont Street between Benton and Burke Streets in the South End Urban Renewal Area. This parcel contains some 20,125 square feet of vacant land. Section 602 of the South End Urban Renewal Plan calls for Parcel 14 to be developed for residential and commercial use. Section 1201 of said plan provides that minor modifications may be made at any time by the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

In order to accomodate the additional need for employee parking and facilitate access for service deliveries for the manufacturing tenants located at 716 Columbus Avenue together with the proposed new Bethel Tabernacle Pentecostal Church, it is recommended that: (1) Parcel 14 be sub-divided to create a new Parcel 14a; (2) The permitted use for Parcel 14 and 14a be changed from residential and commercial to institutional and parking respectively.

Additionally, this memorandum requests that the closing of Benton Street between Columbus Avenue and Tremont Street be deleted from the plan and that the boundary line of Parcel 14 be moved from the northerly to the southerly side of Benton Street, thus decreasing the size of Parcel 14 by approximately 2,625 square

feet. The retention of Benton Street as an open street for traffic is necessary for traffic circulation for the proposed new Carter School.

Parcel 14 would now contain approximately 12,600 square feet and Parcel 14a would contain approximately 4,900 square feet.

Finally, it is requested that the Director be authorized to proclaim by certificate, this minor modification.

The proposed modification is minor and does not substantially or materially alter or change the plan. This modification may, therefore, be effected by vote of the Authority, pursuant to Section 1201 of the South End Urban Renewal Plan.

An appropriate Resolution is attached.



